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**IMPORT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OF BARBADOS FOR
SWINE EXPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES**

The animals must be accompanied by a U.S. Origin Health Certificate (VS 17-140) issued by a veterinarian so authorized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and endorsed by a Veterinary Services veterinarian. The certificate shall contain the name and address of the consignor and the consignee, and complete identification of the animals to be exported. Additional information shall include:

CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS:

1. The United States is free of foot-and-mouth disease, swine vesicular disease, hog cholera, African swine fever, and Teschen's disease.
2. The animals originated from herds free of clinical evidence of the following diseases during the past 12 months: tuberculosis, leptospirosis, erysipelas, transmissible gastroenteritis (TGE), Glasser's disease, vibronic dysentery (hemorrhagic dysentery), atrophic rhinitis, mycoplasma pneumonia, swine influenza, porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome (PRRS), mange, kidney worm, porcine parvovirus, salmonellosis (*S. cholerasuis*), pseudorabies (Aujeszky's disease), and rabies.
3. (a) The animals must originate from a validated brucellosis-free herd, OR
(b) all animals over 6 months of age in the herd of origin were tested with negative results for brucellosis on _____ (date) within 30 days of the date of export.
4. The animals originate from a pseudorabies-qualified herd.
5. The owner has certified that the animals on his farm have never been fed raw garbage.
6. The animals are physically sound and free from any clinical signs of infectious or contagious diseases.
7. Within seven (7) days of exportation, the animals were treated for internal and external parasites with an approved product.
8. On the day of exportation, the animals were treated parentally with a long acting tetracycline at the appropriate dose rate.

9. All crates and vehicles used for shipping the animals were properly cleaned and disinfected prior to use.
10. The animals to be exported have been isolated from the remainder of herd of origin for at least 30 days prior to export.
11. After due inquiry, I am satisfied that the swine to be exported have not been fed garbage at anytime.

TEST REQUIREMENTS

The animals were tested with negative results to the following diseases within 30 days prior to export:

1. Tuberculosis: Intradermal tuberculin test using avian PPD tuberculin, injected posterior to the ear and read in 48 hours.
2. Brucellosis: Card test or Standard tube test at a 1:25 dilution, or complement fixation test, or any other O.I.E. officially recognized test.
3. Pseudorabies: Serum neutralization (SN) test at a 1:4 dilution, OR ELISA test.
4. TGE: SN test at a 1:8 dilution, or ELISA test.
5. Leptospirosis: Microtiter agglutination test at a 1:400 dilution for *Leptospira pomona*, *L. canicola*, *L. icterohemorrhagiae*, *L. grippotyphosa*, and *L. hardjo*. OR,

Treatment with dihydrostreptomycin at a dose of 25 mg/Kg live weight twice at 14 day intervals.
6. Parvovirus: Hemagglutination inhibition test (< 160 IU), OR, Vaccination within thirty (30) days of export.

OTHER INFORMATION

1. The official laboratory results must be specified on the U.S. Origin Health Certificate. If an animal(s) in the lot is positive to any of the tests, the positive animal(s) should be removed and retested for the particular disease they were positive for at least 14 days after the initial

test. If the results of the second test do not show a rise in titer, then the rest of the animals in the lot can be exported. However, a rise in titer disqualifies the entire lot for exportation.

2. The validity of the health certificate can be extended to 35 days if the animals are maintained isolated from all other animals and the accredited veterinarian can so certify.
3. The Veterinary Services in Barbados must receive at least a 24-hour advance notice of the shipment (Tel. (809) 427-5073 or 427-5492).
4. On arrival, the animals will be inspected, and all certifications checked.
5. Permission to land in Barbados must be followed by a minimum quarantine period of 30 days on a premises approved by the Senior Veterinary Officer.

EMBARKATION CERTIFICATION

At the port embarkation, a VS port veterinarian shall attach to the origin health certificate the "Certificate of Inspection of Export Animals" (VS Form 17-37) showing:

1. The name and address of the consignor.
2. The name and address of the consignee.
3. The number and species of animals to be shipped.
4. A statement that the animals "have been given a careful veterinary inspection at the port of embarkation and found to be healthy and free from evidence of communicable disease and exposure thereto," (within 24 hours of exportation).